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APD Southwest Detectives make 2 arrests in 36 burglary of vehicle cases

During the first part of July 2009 several vehicles in the Hillcrest Neighborhood off of Manchaca Road were broken into and had various items stolen from them. One victim had a DVD player stolen from his vehicle and found the item for sale on craigslist the next day.

Southwest Area Command Detectives set up a deal to meet the subject to purchase the DVD player. Upon meeting the subject the property was confirmed to be that which was taken from the burglary of vehicle. Two subjects were interviewed and admitted to committing multiple burglary of vehicles in the same area, a total of 36 in 3 days.

The subjects are:

Flavio Arnulfo Arguello, W/M (DOB 6-12-92) and Kevin Nath, W/M (DOB 2-26-92). Arguello and Nath admitted that they were only looking in vehicles that were unlocked so that forced entry would not attract attention to them.

APD would like to remind citizens to protect their vehicles from Auto Theft and Burglary of Vehicle by taking precautions that will make their vehicle less of a target:

- Take your keys Nearly 20% of all stolen vehicles had the keys in them.
- Lock Your Car Approximately half of all stolen vehicles were left unlocked.
- Park in well-lit areas Over half of all vehicle theft occurs at night.
- Never Leave Your Engine Running It is against the law in Texas to leave your keys in the ignition or your vehicle engine running. If convicted, you can be fined up to \$200.
- Don't leave valuables in plain view don't make your car a more desirable target and attract thieves by leaving valuables in plain sight.
- Install protection devices Ignition kill switch, fuel kill switch, visible steering wheel lock, alarms and vehicle tracking.

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